



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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October 24, 2012

KELLY LAWLER, TREASURER
CAMPAIGN TO DEFEAT BARACK OBAMA
PO BOX 984
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Response Due Date

11/28/2012

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00495010

REFERENCE: AMENDED JUNE MONTHLY REPORT (05/01/2012 - 05/31/2012),
RECEIVED 07/20/2012

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Your Amended 2012 April Monthly Report, received 5/20/12 and Amended 2012 June Monthly Report, received 7/20/12 disclose a substantial increase in certain categories of receipts from the amounts disclosed on your original reports (see attached). Please amend your report or provide an explanation to clarify why this additional activity was not provided with your original reports. (11 CFR § 104.3)
2. Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 24 hour report(s) regarding "last minute" independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 24 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(c), within 24 hours of any independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more with respect to a given election, made between two and twenty days before an election. The report must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$1,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §104.3(b))

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The Commission notes that your Committee originally disclosed this expenditure on a 24 notice filed on May 25, 2012. However, your Committee amended this notice on May 25, 2012 to remove the expenditure to the Washington Times. Please amend this notice to include the expenditure or clarify why the Committee amended the notice to remove the expenditure. (11 CFR §104.3(b))

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1169.

Sincerely,



Kevin Fortkiewicz
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

Overview of Additional Receipts

Report Name	Total Additional Receipts	Line Number(s)
2012 April Monthly /Amended 2012 April Monthly, received 5/20/12	\$16,115.76	11(a)(i), 11(a)(ii)
2012 June Monthly/Amended 2012 June Monthly, received 7/20/12	\$47,885.08	11(a)(i), 11(a)(ii)
Total Additional Receipts	\$64,000.84	

Total Increase in Activity on Amended Reports: \$64,000.84

Name of Payee	Date	Amount	Candidate	Election
Washington Times	5/24/12	\$23,400.00	Barack Obama	P2012-CA